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Jeffrey S. Knowlton

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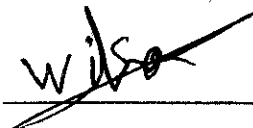
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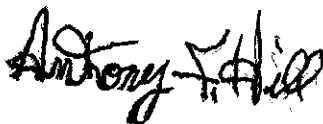
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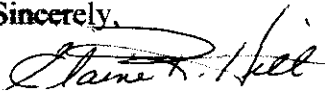
Regarding CG Docket No.03-123, I am the mother of a 35 year old deaf man who has multiple handicaps. I have learned that you will be drastically cutting the Video Relay Service (VRS) and the availability of VRS for the deaf.

My son, who lives in a group home, has only had the service about a year. I can't begin to tell you how much it means to him to be able to communicate effectively and quickly. He had a TDD for years but was not effective in communicating because of his cerebral palsy and the limited use of only one hand. The VRS service has given him more independence, a feeling of worth and self esteem in his communication, and a quicker way than his slow pecking TDD communication was for him. He can sign so much quicker and better than typing. He and many friends, both deaf and hearing have been able to communicate more efficiently utilizing the VRS system.

I encourage you to take a closer look at the improvement in quality of life you have given the deaf community and please rethink any intent to cut funding for the VRS. There are many more deaf who can use this service if they only knew about it.

I would like to ask that you stop any VRS program cuts and fulfill the mandate of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to provide deaf people with functionally equivalent telecommunications services. Please don't take away a lifeline you have given them, but add more to the service.

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Elaine R. Hill
(Mother of Anthony F. Hill)
3014 Colonial Circle
Crestview, FL 32539

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Kathleen W. Rogers

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Mrs. Roberta J. Van Patten

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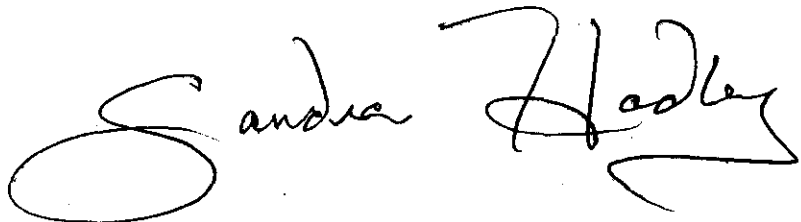
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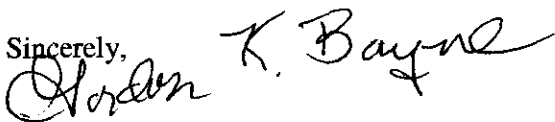
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